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Life Stages

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Life Stages - The Astrological Episodes of Your Life

Looking at the Planets as they pass through the Houses of your unique Birth Chart, it is revealed how they help to implement and influence the stages or fields of experience in your life that the Houses represent.

In this way it is seen that your life is actually a cosmically ordered affair, enabling you to maximize the positive events and encounters, and to minimize the negatives; notifying you of growth areas, or where you best consolidate; where to experiment, where to be cautious; when it's down to you, or someone else; when to wait, when to go, etc.

Your sense of priorities is strongly enhanced, and you experience your earthly journey as something already organized, and always meaningful and going somewhere.

Life Stages covers all planetary influences except the Moon. More detailed explanations of the astrological terms can be found at the end of your report.

Planet House Placement

Where your planets are at the start of report.

As of 2nd March 2016 your planet house placements are:

February 24th 2016 onwards to March 23rd 2016

Health, Training, Work, Techniques, Order, Co-workers, Service, Helpers, Pets

 6th

Sun transits your natal 6th house

Now your will and life-force are focused upon work and health issues, so making improvements here, like creating or beginning routines and regimens, are well starred. This is a time of industriousness and effort, and of finding the best way of doing anything.

Also being of service to others would be very rewarding, but just be careful not to help where it isn't needed, or embarrassment or hurt feelings could result.

February 17th 2016 onwards to March 9th 2016

Creative/Self Expression, Children, Pastimes, Romance, Drama, Gambling, Play

 5th

Mercury transits your natal 5th house

Now you find that your mind is in more of a 'fun mode' than usual. Playing games and creating a party atmosphere is what you are good at during this time, and you are not so concerned about the more earnest and practical issues of life. If you have a creative bent then this is a great time for achieving some good results or coming up with interesting or amusing ideas.

Naturally enough, the downside to all this is forgetting that the rest of the world is not necessarily in that fun mode – so bear that in mind before you overlook some more serious or official obligation.

February 20th 2016 onwards to March 17th 2016

Creative/Self Expression, Children, Pastimes, Romance, Drama, Gambling, Play

 5th

Venus transits your natal 5th house

Now anything that involves a sense of fun or self-expression is well-starred. Pastimes, romance, games, parties are all more likely than usual to go with a swing or be rewarding. Enjoying the presence of children is also something that lends sweetness to your life now. Entertaining or being entertained has an extra sparkle about it too. You're in the mood for love and enjoyment.

January 3rd 2016 onwards to March 8th 2016

Possessions, Capabilities, Finances, Income, Self-Worth, Material World

 2nd

Mars transits your natal 2nd house

Now your desire and effort to increase your income and/or self-worth that is stronger than usual. The whole issue of 'ownership' is hot or contentious one. If you are happy with what you have in terms of possessions, earning power or talent, then this is a time when you can go out and make something more of them.

If however, you are not that sure of what you have going for you, then making the effort to remedy this is the call of the day. But if you let any low self-esteem get to you then expect to feel defeated and frustrated. This is, after all, a time to go and get it.

September 7th 2015 onwards to September 24th 2016

Karma, Spiritual Realm, Collective Unconscious, Confinement, Womb-life

♃ 12th

Jupiter transits your natal 12th house

During this time, opportunities and occasions arise that offer or provide furtherance, enjoyment and improvement in matters concerning 'behind-the-scenes' activities and what is more subtle and less obvious about life and yourself.

Somehow or other, through meeting someone or through some form of spiritual search, you encounter a sense that there is more to life than is apparent from an outside or conventional point of view, and that how you and others are now, in the present, has everything to do with the past, going back as far as the womb – or even before that, for previous lives can become a significant issue now, one way or the other. Charitable works may well occupy your time and resources.

September 29th 2015 onwards to January 18th 2018

Communication, Primary/Secondary Education, Siblings, Everyday Encounters

♄ 3rd

Saturn transits your natal 3rd house

During this time, circumstances demand or help you establish, make stable or put into order, issues concerning your everyday affairs and encounters, your relatives (especially siblings), and anything relating to communication. Day-to-day interactions and short trips may present you with blocks or delays, but this is just life saying to you stop, slow down or reconsider what you are saying, how you are thinking, and where you are going.

The firmer your idea of these matters then the more effective you will be with respect to them. Learn to pick your moment, and to see that your attitude of mind has everything to do with how something will turn out. The other side of all this may loom the necessity that demands you to take things less literally or stop trying to be 'right' all the time and have to impress others with your knowledge and connections.

This will have the 'so what' effect of knowing facts but not actually applying them to the practical issue in hand, or rather not seeing what is truly relevant. This time is all about being pragmatic, not merely clever. Finding the right word or contact, or getting the facts right, has to be a means to an end, not an end in itself.

February 27th 2012 onwards to May 24th 2018**Relationships, Others, Projected Self, Spouse, Adversaries**♅ 7th

Uranus transits your natal 7th house

At certain times during this period, change or innovation, the disruptive or awakening, or the unique, unusual, alternative or odd, find their way into matters concerning relationships, your partner if you have one, and your manner of relating itself. As relationships are often something which we get into for one reason when really it is another, this means that we have to confront the truth of why we are together with someone – or why we are not.

This is because security, perceived responsibility to others, or romantic illusions are usually to the fore in relationships, and freedom of expression and how we truly feel tend to get inhibited for the sake of peace and reliability. But now the desire to be yourself, to show your 'other side' comes surging forwards. If this urge is also repressed, then an external element – like a third party or major break in routine – could occur in order to ring the changes, provide that emotional wake-up call.

The secret here is to be as open as possible with one another, without judging or giving in to childish insecurity fears. The more possessive one person is, the more hotly the other will react now. A strong element amidst all this is the question as to how much you are friends with your partner, rather than just emotionally and physically involved as partners. The point here is that friends allow one another more latitude than lovers because there is an inherent respect for each other's individuality – and it is individuality within relationship that is the theme of this time.

And if you are not in a relationship – or even if you are – someone can appear out of the blue now, someone you would not expect to attract or be attracted by. Be careful not to reject the prospect because of this; you are after all, exploring the other side of life and yourself now, which is a very important experience as it makes you more complete and interesting as a person, and brings you closer to being the individual that you truly are.

January 25th 2015 onwards to April 26th 2026**Health, Training, Work, Techniques, Order, Co-workers, Service, Helpers, Pets**♆ 6th

Neptune transits your natal 6th house

At certain times during this period, spirituality or illusion, subtle attunement or over-sensitivity, inspiration or confusion, find their way into matters concerning work, co-workers, health, methodologies, and service to others, and also pets. It is probably with respect to health that you have to be most careful. On the one hand, because you are more susceptible to picking up infections or developing allergies, and on the other, to letting your imagination get the better of you and actually making yourself ill.

Then again, if you are unwell during this time it may be some strange or hard to diagnose complaint, or be psychosomatic. But this latter point does not necessarily mean that there is nothing wrong with you, but that you are physically manifesting something that is bothering you on an unconscious or emotional level. It is also likely that during this period you will seek out complementary or alternative medical help, or actually seek to be a practitioner yourself.

It is the subtler reasons for health or the lack of it that you are drawn to now – one way or the other. Likewise, nutrition or diet might become a concern, but again be careful that this does not become a problem in itself with fads posing as hard facts. At work, sensitivities, allergies and rumours could be an issue – but these too would be symptomatic of some underlying issue trying to make itself felt.

November 1st 2010 onwards to February 15th 2027**Inner or Private World, Security, Home-Life, Roots, Origins, Gene Pool**♃ 4th

Pluto transits your natal 4th house

At certain times during this period, crises, deep transformations, fated occurrences and intense experiences, find their way into matters concerning your home and family, and your sense of security and belonging. So a good keyword for the underlying theme and essential meaning of this time is 'roots' – or more specifically, changes brought about by your being steeped in them or searching for them – perhaps compulsively.

Dealings with your parents and home life have a quality which forces old issues out into the open, probably giving rise to power struggles, confrontations and upheavals. This process could also be reflected in your domestic life generally, with moves being symbolic of changes taking place deep within. You are searching for where you truly belong – and you may well find it - at least until you are required to search for an even deeper level of belonging.

As part of this 'journey' you are also quite likely to become quite buried at home, tucked away from the world. And with Pluto being the planet of endings and beginnings, there can during this time be the passing of a parent or other family member – but this is by no means a certainty. But if it does occur it is indicative of your 'rooting process' outstripping what were your earlier roots, rather like the rooting of an oak tree would see the comings and goings of the flora and fauna that exist in its midst.

Further Monthly Life Stages

New Episodes for Remainder of Report Period

New Episodes from 2nd March 2016 to 31st March 2016

March 8th 2016 onwards to May 24th 2016

Communication, Primary/Secondary Education, Siblings, Everyday Encounters

♂ 3rd

Mars transits your natal 3rd house

Now it is the everyday world of communication and getting around your immediate vicinity that finds you energized. You are inclined to speak forcefully and promote your personal point of view with vigour and conviction.

However, if there are disputes with neighbours or siblings, or just someone close-by or in a shop, or out driving, then expect things to get heated. It is probably worth counting to ten if the possibility of such a confrontation arises, otherwise you could get a lot more than you bargained for.

March 9th to 23rd 2016

Health, Training, Work, Techniques, Order, Co-workers, Service, Helpers, Pets

♀ 6th

Mercury transits your natal 6th house

Now your mind is in a 'let's get down to it' mood, and so it is an excellent time for getting all manner of tasks started or finished efficiently.

The methods and systems that serve you best come easily to hand, and co-workers are also co-operative, or at least more on the ball than usual – a factor which could of course cut both ways!

Your mind can also turn to matters of health during this time, either because it simply becomes an area of interest, or you have a problem with health that is very likely down to some kind of anxiety state, possibly about work itself. The advice here is to stop trying to get too much done and to go easy on fault-finding, be it from or to yourself.

March 17th 2016 onwards to April 8th 2016

Health, Training, Work, Techniques, Order, Co-workers, Service, Helpers, Pets

♀ 6th

Venus transits your natal 6th house

Now matters relating to work or health are best met with a sense of diplomacy or harmony. In addition to saying that happiness and chilling out are found to be the best tonics for health during this period, this also means that colleagues may come across as more amenable or likeable, as you will to them, thus creating a more effective work environment – simply because everyone is happier in the job.

There is the possibility of trying to combine work with pleasure in a more literal way, like flirting or falling in love with a co-worker or client for example. But being careful is both the stock and astrological advice here!

March 23rd 2016 onwards to April 6th 2016

Relationships, Others, Projected Self, Spouse, Adversaries

♀ 7th

Mercury transits your natal 7th house

Now you appreciate the truth of the sayings 'Two heads are better than one' and 'A problem shared is a problem halved'. So if you have any issue that you find hard to deal with, find someone with whom you can come right out with it and these proverbs will be proven to be true.

Seeking out professional counsel is auspicious now. Conversely, you could be the one that one or more others bend the ear of. In any event, it's time to talk.

March 23rd 2016 onwards to April 20th 2016**Relationships, Others, Projected Self, Spouse, Adversaries**☉ 7th

Sun transits your natal 7th house

Now your will and life-force are focused upon the importance of relationships in your life, or what it is that is important about one relationship in particular. During this time it pays to be aware that what you put out has a great deal to do with what you get back.

Paradoxically though, this can mean that if you give too much you get less back, while not giving enough gives rise to having apparently impossible demands made of you. This influence is telling you that relationships are all about balance, sharing and co-operation.

New Episodes for April 2016**April 6th 2016 onwards to June 13th 2016****Intimacy, Others' Resources, Transformation, Occult/Hidden Matters**♃ 8th

Mercury transits your natal 8th house

Now you find you mind turning inwards to matters concerned with secrecy, psychology or the occult. It is only the deeper causes and underpinnings of life that interest you now, or at least, such areas are the only ones that will provide you the interest or answers you require.

A relatively superficial approach just won't wash during this time. Serious matters such as death and the inner meaning of life may well preoccupy you. On a more mundane level, jointly owned property issues could be what demand your attention, and your mind is in the right gear for dealing with just that kind of thing.

April 8th to 30th 2016**Relationships, Others, Projected Self, Spouse, Adversaries**♀ 7th

Venus transits your natal 7th house

Now the way you relate to others, from partner to the general public, will be more attuned and appealing. Consequently, affection is more commonly expressed, in one or both directions, and a pleasing familiarity colours your dealings with anyone you come into contact with. Even adversaries are more likely to be understood or tolerated.

There is also a possibility of meeting a special someone during this time, other planetary influences permitting. However, there is the possibility of your social prejudices and foibles being more acute, and therefore being more noticeable as what repels rather than attracts. All in all though, a time to get to know people better – including yourself.

April 20th 2016 onwards to May 21st 2016**Intimacy, Others' Resources, Transformation, Occult/Hidden Matters**☉ 8th

Sun transits your natal 8th house

Now your will and life-force are focused upon the deeper feelings that you have about life and others. Depending upon how intimate you are with the inner workings of your psyche or somebody else's, this can be a time when you can find yourself feeling anything from cut off to feeling a lot closer to whoever or whatever.

Experiences that make you aware that 'no man (or woman) is an island' is what you will attract. The highs and lows of any involvement, be it emotional or financial, are what find you out right now.

April 30th 2016 onwards to May 25th 2016**Intimacy, Others' Resources, Transformation, Occult/Hidden Matters**♀ 8th

Venus transits your natal 8th house

Now your sense of intimacy is heightened, causing relationships that are already close to become closer, or an intimate encounter could actually take place. It has to be said that if you find intimacy difficult as a rule, you could find it even more so during this period, possibly making you back off, or out even.

But this would be missing a golden chance to be more at ease with being very close to someone - or even with something, like occult realms or the 'other side'. On a more mundane level money can be acquired or attracted through a partner during this time.

New Episodes for May 2016**May 21st 2016 onwards to June 24th 2016****Higher Education, Travel, Foreign Parts, Law, Beliefs, Academia, Philosophy**☉ 9th

Sun transits your natal 9th house

Now your will and life-force are focused upon 'getting out more'. So any activity or pursuit that gets you out of your comfort zone, furthers you in some way, gets you in touch with what is usually foreign to you, or that cultivates your mind, is what will give that all-important feeling that life is an adventure, has meaning, and is going somewhere.

The laws that govern life, be they Man's or God's, can also become an interest or issue now.

May 24th 2016 onwards to August 5th 2016**Possessions, Capabilities, Finances, Income, Self-Worth, Material World**♂ 2nd

Mars Retrograde transits your natal 2nd house

Now your desire and effort to increase your income and/or self-worth that is stronger than usual. The whole issue of 'ownership' is hot or contentious one. If you are happy with what you have in terms of possessions, earning power or talent, then this is a time when you can go out and make something more of them.

If however, you are not that sure of what you have going for you, then making the effort to remedy this is the call of the day. But if you let any low self-esteem get to you then expect to feel defeated and frustrated. This is, after all, a time to go and get it.

May 25th 2016 onwards to June 20th 2016**Higher Education, Travel, Foreign Parts, Law, Beliefs, Academia, Philosophy**♀ 9th

Venus transits your natal 9th house

Now your horizons can be broadened through some kind of encounter with someone or something that is outside of your usual experience. So people or places of a different culture, belief or artistic persuasion may well bring you pleasure, along with a new perspective and set of values.

A good time to go abroad, and places of higher learning will also provide enjoyment. In fact, joy itself is what this time could be said to be all about.

New Episodes for June 2016

June 13th 2016 onwards to July 1st 2016

Higher Education, Travel, Foreign Parts, Law, Beliefs, Academia, Philosophy

 9th

Mercury transits your natal 9th house

Now you find you have more interest than usual in abstract or foreign issues. So this is a good time for academic work, mixing with people of different race or nationality, or simply going abroad on holiday.

Your mind is more philosophically inclined than usual, so you are probably more accepting or understanding – or at least you need to be, otherwise you may well find that an intolerant or xenophobic attitude attracts more disagreement than is merely stimulating.

June 20th 2016 onwards to July 16th 2016

Outer or Public World, Profession, Earthly Purpose, Status, Reputation

 10th

Venus transits your natal 10th house

Now a ray of harmony and beauty comes into your professional sphere and your dealings with the external world generally. Authority figures are more likely to see you in a favourable light – so asking for a loan or a rise is advisable during this period, other planetary influences notwithstanding.

The use of art, design or public relations could make all the difference to your career progress and job satisfaction now too. Generally, the more attractive and personable aspect of people is present in your interaction with the material world.

June 24th 2016 onwards to July 28th 2016

Outer or Public World, Profession, Earthly Purpose, Status, Reputation

 10th

Sun transits your natal 10th house

Now your will and life-force are focused upon amounting to something in life. This can simply mean that status and career have more going for them than usual, or if not, this time is calling you to gird your loins and cast your bread upon the water.

As a rule no-one is going to find you if you are tucked away somewhere all the time, but then defining exactly what your purpose in life is – which you can discover now or get closer to discovering – may simply amount to your being the 'power behind the throne'.

So this time is essentially about being more alive to the fact that what you are in the world can be more down to you than the world itself. Nevertheless, what you are, or are not capable of, should be made plain now.

New Episodes for July 2016

July 1st to 16th 2016

Outer or Public World, Profession, Earthly Purpose, Status, Reputation

 10th

Mercury transits your natal 10th house

Now you find that it is issues of communication that are key regarding your standing in the world, your profession, officialdom, or whoever or whatever has the power to improve or affect your position in life. So making the right contact, writing those letters or e-mails, making those phone calls, or doing anything else that connects 'A' with 'B' is what is required, desirable and what simply creates success.

July 16th 2016 onwards to August 3rd 2016**Associations, Friends, Politics, Aspirations, Groups, Ideals, Movements, Clubs**♀ 11th

Mercury transits your natal 11th house

Now you find that an important aspect to whatever is going on in your mind, or however you are actually employing your mind, is friendships, social media, associates or co-members of any club or organisation you belong to. So, sharing problems or ideas in a group setting are presently more likely than not, to bring about some resolution or realisation.

July 16th 2016 onwards to August 10th 2016**Associations, Friends, Politics, Aspirations, Groups, Ideals, Movements, Clubs**♀ 11th

Venus transits your natal 11th house

Now love and harmony is found among friends, social media, groups and associations. Workshops, conferences and social gatherings are more likely to go with a swing as people concerned are less egocentric, making it possible for everyone to share their thoughts and emotions without feeling eclipsed or judged.

This is a time when love and freedom can come together, providing all with a greater sense of what being genuinely human is about. Hopes and aspirations can therefore become more realizable. It is also a good time to discover or rediscover the friendship that exists within a love relationship such as a marriage or long-term partnership, and how this strengthens the bond while at the same time not being made to feel emotionally pressured.

July 28th 2016 onwards to August 29th 2016**Associations, Friends, Politics, Aspirations, Groups, Ideals, Movements, Clubs**♂ 11th

Sun transits your natal 11th house

Now your will and life-force are focused upon the importance of certain friendships, social media or group involvements you have. Teamwork is key right now, as too is having the freedom to be amongst kindred spirits.

Social gatherings can go with a swing now more than usual, and you realize that your social scene says a lot about you as an individual.

New Episodes for August 2016**August 3rd 2016 onwards to October 9th 2016****Karma, Spiritual Realm, Collective Unconscious, Confinement, Womb-life**♀ 12th

Mercury transits your natal 12th house

Now you find your mind is more susceptible to the influences that could include the thoughts of others, fantasies, your distant past, the psychical or mystical, or anything that is somewhat out of the ordinary or everyday sphere.

So the range of mental states you experience is quite considerable – everything from voices in the head, to feeling in touch with some inner truth of life, to thinking that someone is talking about you, and therefore to either wanting to communicate such things or to an equal reluctance to communicate at all what is going on in your head.

In effect it is a time when you can get in touch with the more mysterious or hidden and learn a great deal from it, but if you are unwilling or unaware, then the more paranoid and disturbing aspects could be what haunt you. Quite simply a time to look within and take on or use a more spiritual or psychological perspective.

August 5th 2016 onwards to October 2nd 2016**Communication, Primary/Secondary Education, Siblings, Everyday Encounters**♂ 3rd

Mars transits your natal 3rd house

Now it is the everyday world of communication and getting around your immediate vicinity that finds you energized. You are inclined to speak forcefully and promote your personal point of view with vigour and conviction.

However, if there are disputes with neighbours or siblings, or just someone close-by or in a shop, or out driving, then expect things to get heated. It is probably worth counting to ten if the possibility of such a confrontation arises, otherwise you could get a lot more than you bargained for.

August 10th 2016 onwards to September 1st 2016**Karma, Spiritual Realm, Collective Unconscious, Confinement, Womb-life**♀ 12th

Venus transits your natal 12th house

Now it is the selfless and unconditional aspect of love and social involvements that makes itself felt. Or at least, it ought to, or one is likely to feel dissatisfied and put upon. Giving of yourself to whomever needs your love and support, on the other hand, will provide you with a decidedly spiritual sense of what life is about on a real emotional level. Virtue proves to be of its own reward.

Alternatively, it could be some form of retreat or pilgrimage that attracts you now, pleasure being found in simplicity and closeness to the soul of things. There is even the possibility of finding fulfilment in some institution, such as a hospital or prison. Artistic inspiration in solitude is another possibility. However, during this period be careful not to play the martyr or indulge in being a 'do-gooder' or in self-pity, for this will create a very undesirable effect that will have repercussions for some time.

August 29th 2016 onwards to September 25th 2016**Karma, Spiritual Realm, Collective Unconscious, Confinement, Womb-life**☉ 12th

Sun transits your natal 12th house

Now your will and life-force are focused upon 'behind-the-scenes' activities and influences. So you are not that inclined to mix with others unless they come together for some spiritual or psychological reason.

You can feel rather out of the swim of things now because you are reflecting, or are forced to reflect, upon what is motivating you at a deeper level than what everyday life is concerned with.

This is a time when your conscience and the effects of the collective can weigh upon you more, and this in turn can promote an awareness that the past – of this life and possibly previous ones – is what determines what happens now, and what happens next. 'What's past is prologue' as Shakespeare said.

New Episodes for September 2016**September 1st to 24th 2016****Birth, Beginnings, Self, Presentation, Persona, Identity, Character**♀ 1st

Venus transits your natal 1st house

Now you are inclined to make a priority out of harmony and pleasure, and how attractive you look and feel, with the result that loving feelings and experiences become more prevalent than usual. As ever with Venus there is the strong alternative of simply indulging - or of expecting love, pleasure and affection when you are not being loving, pleasing or affectionate enough yourself, with subsequent frustration. Venus is as to Venus does.

A love interest, or just an object of fancy, could appear on your horizon during this period.

September 24th 2016 onwards to October 19th 2016**Possessions, Capabilities, Finances, Income, Self-Worth, Material World**♀ 2nd

Venus transits your natal 2nd house

Now you are more than usually drawn to things material or sensual, or they are drawn to you. This is a two-edged blade though because you can be inclined to spend or invest more than you can afford.

However, if your sense of affluence can be tempered with common financial sense, this can be a time when you increase your income/funds, or your sense of self-worth, or both, because they are, you find, inextricably linked. Yet at the same time, be careful not to mistake one with the other – that is, what you have materially with what you are worth as a person.

September 24th 2016 onwards to October 12th 2017**Birth, Beginnings, Self, Presentation, Persona, Identity, Character**♃ 1st

Jupiter transits your natal 1st house

During this time, opportunities and occasions arise that offer or provide furtherance, enjoyment and improvement in matters concerning your image, appearance and what constitutes your sense of presence. Your very identity is more a matter of significance than usual, and generally your interest is drawn to understanding the bigger picture and your place in it.

All this can make you either feel self-conscious or, on the other hand, make you a bit larger than life or even arrogant and holier-than-thou. If your sense of greatness and expansiveness can be tempered with understanding and grace, then this time could make you and the world in which you live far more meaningful and positive.

September 25th 2016 onwards to October 23rd 2016**Birth, Beginnings, Self, Presentation, Persona, Identity, Character**☉ 1st

Sun transits your natal 1st house

Now your will and life-force are focused upon putting your individual identity forward, making it clear that you are someone in your own right. So it is a good time to make an impression, but just be careful that you do not overlook what others are feeling and thinking altogether because, after all, it is the effect you create that matters in the end. This would make the difference between having a strong sense of yourself, and being merely wrapped up in yourself, or feeling self-conscious.

New Episodes for October 2016**October 2nd 2016 onwards to November 17th 2016****Inner or Private World, Security, Home-Life, Roots, Origins, Gene Pool**♂ 4th

Mars transits your natal 4th house

Now it is your home, family and private life that finds you expressing yourself energetically. Obviously this would best be channelled into something like housework or a DIY task, or confronting some issue that has been buried for too long. The trouble is that there is likely to be more buried than you imagine and what begins as just getting a job done or taking issue with a family member or housemate can turn into something far more hot and bothered.

The point is that you are currently made to feel or remember where you have been thwarted in the past and it represents itself as anger or frustration in your personal or domestic arena in the present. If you can keep a bit of objectivity though, it is possible to lay a ghost or two once and for good, clearing the decks for action and self-expression when Mars transiting the next House, the Fifth.

October 9th to 25th 2016**Birth, Beginnings, Self, Presentation, Persona, Identity, Character**♁ 1st

Mercury transits your natal 1st house

Now you find that you are inclined to see things more logically than you usually are. Tasks or activities that require mental ability and wit come more naturally to you, as well as being more appealing to you. You see matters in the 'clear light of intellect'. Just be careful that you do not chatter on too much or fail to see the forest for the trees or miss the emotional point.

October 19th 2016 onwards to November 15th 2016**Communication, Primary/Secondary Education, Siblings, Everyday Encounters**♀ 3rd

Venus transits your natal 3rd house

Now loving thoughts, words and everyday encounters grace your world. Or at least, it is recommended that you look at what is going around you in this fashion, for you will find just how pleasant, affectionate or kind people can be if you give them the cue to be so – by being that way yourself first.

A good time to write a love letter or word something in a way that appeals, or to show appreciation for siblings, or to learn some form of artistic expression or social skill.

October 23rd 2016 onwards to November 22nd 2016**Possessions, Capabilities, Finances, Income, Self-Worth, Material World**☉ 2nd

Sun transits your natal 2nd house

Now your will and life-force are focused upon financial matters and issues regarding your self-worth. So it is advisable to 'make hay while the sun shines' in these respects, investing what you have got in increasing your earning power or affirming to yourself what you have going for you.

October 25th 2016 onwards to November 13th 2016**Possessions, Capabilities, Finances, Income, Self-Worth, Material World**♁ 2nd

Mercury transits your natal 2nd house

Now you find it interesting or necessary to investigate financial matters, which you are able to deal with more efficiently than usual, other planetary influences notwithstanding. You are better able to sort problems and spot snags, but on the other hand, seeking these out should be a priority, especially if there are any financial problems!

New Episodes for November 2016**November 13th 2016 onwards to December 5th 2016****Communication, Primary/Secondary Education, Siblings, Everyday Encounters**♁ 3rd

Mercury transits your natal 3rd house

Now you find your mind has plenty to chew on as it flits from subject to interest, person to pastime, and all forms of communication fill your days. Don't be surprised if all this makes you nervy or jumpy.

However, if you start to get into a flat spin, chill out and do some deep breathing and remind yourself that some things can and will just have to wait. As they say 'the mind is a good servant but a bad master' – so don't let yourself run around after everyone or everything that presents itself to you or demands your attention. Use some discrimination.

November 15th 2016 onwards to December 12th 2016**Inner or Private World, Security, Home-Life, Roots, Origins, Gene Pool**♀ 4th

Venus transits your natal 4th house

Now it is your home, family and private life that offers the greatest pleasures and experiences of love. Your sense of inner harmony should also be more present than usual – so it is a good time for any redecoration as this would successfully be in tune with how you want to feel in your domestic environment.

In Nature's midst is also where you'll find more pleasure than at other times. And don't be perturbed if stirring yourself to meet more worldly duties is low down on your list of priorities during this time – that is the whole point of it!

November 17th 2016 onwards to December 27th 2016**Creative/Self Expression, Children, Pastimes, Romance, Drama, Gambling, Play**♂ 5th

Mars transits your natal 5th house

Now anything that involves a sense of fun, play or self-expression can be what you readily pile energy into. You now feel that it is your right to have a good time, and to make it known that you are a unique and vibrant individual. Passions run high and want to be satisfied.

The obvious downside to this is that not everyone else will be in the same mood, or less obviously, if you repress your natural urge to express and enjoy yourself, then someone else, possibly your children if you have any, will act up as they act out what you are afraid to.

November 22nd 2016 onwards to December 24th 2016**Communication, Primary/Secondary Education, Siblings, Everyday Encounters**☉ 3rd

Sun transits your natal 3rd house

Now your will and life-force are focused upon issues concerning communication and showing what you know. What you want to say can be said positively and confidently now, so it is a good opportunity to make yourself felt in your own neighbourhood, enter a quiz, or get that letter written or piece of writing done.

Short trips should go with a swing and open up opportunities for you.

New Episodes for December 2016**December 5th to 31st 2016****Inner or Private World, Security, Home-Life, Roots, Origins, Gene Pool**♀ 4th

Mercury transits your natal 4th house

Now you find it is time to look within, to concern yourself with private matters, to look to any issues that need seeing to on the domestic and family front. The past is also something that your interest is now drawn to, and your mind can get into quite a sentimental or nostalgic mode.

Enjoy these preoccupations for they have the effect of rooting your mind in what is reassuring and familiar – but don't get too involved in such or you could get bogged down and find it hard to get on with more external matters when inevitably they present themselves.

December 12th 2016 onwards to January 9th 2017**Creative/Self Expression, Children, Pastimes, Romance, Drama, Gambling, Play**♀ 5th

Venus transits your natal 5th house

Now anything that involves a sense of fun or self-expression is well-starred. Pastimes, romance, games, parties are all more likely than usual to go with a swing or be rewarding. Enjoying the presence of children is also something that lends sweetness to your life now. Entertaining or being entertained has an extra sparkle about it too. You're in the mood for love and enjoyment.

December 24th 2016 onwards to January 25th 2017**Inner or Private World, Security, Home-Life, Roots, Origins, Gene Pool**☉ 4th

Sun transits your natal 4th house

Now your will and life-force are focused upon family and domestic matters. Making yourself known for the unique individual that you are is often inhibited in these areas, or alternatively, you or someone else could come across as domineering and overbearing.

So this is a time to find out which is the case, and so on the one hand, shine more, or on the other, throw your weight around a little less. A time when you should be able to see the difference between the comfortably familiar and being buried with the devil you know.

December 27th 2016 onwards to February 1st 2017**Health, Training, Work, Techniques, Order, Co-workers, Service, Helpers, Pets**♂ 6th

Mars transits your natal 6th house

Now you find that it is the arena of work that you have the most energy and drive for, or simply that it is work that demands that you put energy into it. Either way, the good thing about this period is that you can get a lot done.

The downside is that you want to do it your own way, so if you have co-workers you are likely to annoy them as your pace conflicts with theirs. Or you might find that a conflict arises in the work place that has some other reason than because you are working so energetically.

Health too can be an area galvanizes you to achieve some objective, yet health itself might play up if you are pushing yourself or others too hard.

December 31st 2016 onwards to January 17th 2017**Communication, Primary/Secondary Education, Siblings, Everyday Encounters**☿ 3rd

Mercury Retrograde transits your natal 3rd house

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New Episodes for January 2017**January 9th 2017 onwards to February 7th 2017****Health, Training, Work, Techniques, Order, Co-workers, Service, Helpers, Pets**♀ 6th

Venus transits your natal 6th house

Now matters relating to work or health are best met with a sense of diplomacy or harmony. In addition to saying that happiness and chilling out are found to be the best tonics for health during this period, this also means that colleagues may come across as more amenable or likeable, as you will to them, thus creating a more effective work environment – simply because everyone is happier in the job.

There is the possibility of trying to combine work with pleasure in a more literal way, like flirting or falling in love with a co-worker or client for example. But being careful is both the stock and astrological advice here!

January 17th 2017 onwards to February 11th 2017**Inner or Private World, Security, Home-Life, Roots, Origins, Gene Pool**♀ 4th

Mercury transits your natal 4th house

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January 25th 2017 onwards to February 24th 2017**Creative/Self Expression, Children, Pastimes, Romance, Drama, Gambling, Play**☉ 5th

Sun transits your natal 5th house

Now your will and life-force are focused upon expressing yourself and having some fun. Playing and creating should be high on your list of priorities, as too should be romantic occasions or children.

Being outgoing is the key to making the most of this period, but avoid demanding centre-stage too much – you could get a custard-pie in your face, or get left with egg on it!

New Episodes for February 2017**February 1st 2017 onwards to March 10th 2017****Relationships, Others, Projected Self, Spouse, Adversaries**♂ 7th

Mars transits your natal 7th house

Now there is an increased possibility of tension and friction arising between yourself and others – and particularly your partner if you have one. This can obviously be a problem and not very pleasant, but the point is that there is during this period an urge to fight for your rights and opinions in the face of what appears to be someone else blocking or abusing those rights and opinions.

In relationships generally, there can be an inclination to make compromises and attempt to meet one another half way. But now, where such compromises and so-called fairness are getting in the way of being who you are, then it is natural to put your foot down and do or say what you actually feel. And this will actually strengthen a relationship if it has any real value at all, but shatter the illusion of relationship if it has not.

February 7th 2017 onwards to March 28th 2017**Relationships, Others, Projected Self, Spouse, Adversaries**♀ 7th

Venus transits your natal 7th house

Now the way you relate to others, from partner to the general public, will be more attuned and appealing. Consequently, affection is more commonly expressed, in one or both directions, and a pleasing familiarity colours your dealings with anyone you come into contact with. Even adversaries are more likely to be understood or tolerated.

There is also a possibility of meeting a special someone during this time, other planetary influences permitting. However, there is the possibility of your social prejudices and foibles being more acute, and therefore being more noticeable as what repels rather than attracts. All in all though, a time to get to know people better – including yourself.

February 11th 2017 onwards to March 1st 2017**Creative/Self Expression, Children, Pastimes, Romance, Drama, Gambling, Play**♃ 5th

Mercury transits your natal 5th house

Now you find that your mind is in more of a 'fun mode' than usual. Playing games and creating a party atmosphere is what you are good at during this time, and you are not so concerned about the more earnest and practical issues of life. If you have a creative bent then this is a great time for achieving some good results or coming up with interesting or amusing ideas.

Naturally enough, the downside to all this is forgetting that the rest of the world is not necessarily in that fun mode – so bear that in mind before you overlook some more serious or official obligation.

February 24th 2017 onwards to March 23rd 2017**Health, Training, Work, Techniques, Order, Co-workers, Service, Helpers, Pets**☉ 6th

Sun transits your natal 6th house

Now your will and life-force are focused upon work and health issues, so making improvements here, like creating or beginning routines and regimens, are well starred. This is a time of industriousness and effort, and of finding the best way of doing anything.

Also being of service to others would be very rewarding, but just be careful not to help where it isn't needed, or embarrassment or hurt feelings could result.

New Episodes until 1st March 2017**March 1st to 15th 2017****Health, Training, Work, Techniques, Order, Co-workers, Service, Helpers, Pets**♃ 6th

Mercury transits your natal 6th house

Now your mind is in a 'let's get down to it' mood, and so it is an excellent time for getting all manner of tasks started or finished efficiently.

The methods and systems that serve you best come easily to hand, and co-workers are also co-operative, or at least more on the ball than usual – a factor which could of course cut both ways!

Your mind can also turn to matters of health during this time, either because it simply becomes an area of interest, or you have a problem with health that is very likely down to some kind of anxiety state, possibly about work itself. The advice here is to stop trying to get too much done and to go easy on fault-finding, be it from or to yourself.

Life Stages - Postscript

These Episodes of Your Life are astrologically determined by the periods of time taken by each of the Planets to pass through each of the twelve Houses in your unique Birth Chart, which has been drawn up for on average the time of day you were born.

The Houses of your Birth Chart represent the various stages or fields of experience that constitute your life on Earth. Physically, the Houses are seen as segments of sky in relation to the horizon (like a piece of pie with you at the center) extending out into space, the First House being just below the eastern horizon, the Second following anticlockwise, etc., etc., ending with the Twelfth House just above the eastern horizon, preceding the First House where the cycle starts again. They can be briefly described at the beginning of each House Transit Interpretation.

The Planets (including the Sun and Moon) influence these areas of your life as they travel or transit through your Houses, basically like this...

Pluto - Regenerating or Degenerating for on average on average 20 years 8 months

Neptune - Sensitizing or Weakening for on average 13 years 8 months

Uranus - Awakening or Disrupting for on average 7 years

Saturn - Stabilizing or Testing for on average 2 years 5 months

Jupiter - Developing or Exaggerating for on average 1 Year

Mars - Energizing or Attacking for on average 1 Month 27 Days

Venus - Enjoying or Indulging for on average 25 Days

Mercury - Connecting or Worrying for on average 21 Days 17 Hours

Moon* - Feeling or Reacting for on average 2 Days 7 hours

Sun - Illuminating or Domineering for on average 30 Days 10 Hours

* Being so swift, the Moon is not included in Year Reports, as there would be too many of them.

Each Planet travels through the sky at a different speed. The slowest moving, Pluto, takes 248 years to go through all the Houses, so it will only influence a maximum of 4 or 5 Houses even in a long lifetime. At the other extreme is the Moon which takes just a month, so normally it will influence all the Houses over and over again.

For Example: When Saturn is transiting your First House you can expect to have your Identity Tested and/or Stabilized over a period of 2 to 7.5 years (depending on the size of the House, which varies). Using the table above, you can use the keywords for Planets and Houses in this way for any Planet/House influence that you know to be in effect. The following interpretations that describe each of these transits will of course go into more detail as to what this poses and means, and provide practical advice too.

Your Life Stages - The interpretations begin with the House each Planet was transiting at the very beginning of the Report period together with the actual date the outer planet entered the house in question.

House Systems - The above timing also depends on the House System being used, as there are several. For Life Stages the most popular House System, Placidus, is used.

End of Report - When a Planet is still transiting a particular House by the time the Report ends, the date it leaves the house is given.

New Episodes for Remainder of Report - Following upon the Positions of Planets at Start of Report Period, you are shown the new Houses entered (and possibly exited) during the remainder of the Report period as well as the Personal Inner Planets House Positions.

Entering Houses - On and around the day a Planet enters a House (the beginning of the Transit) the effect as given in the interpretation can usually be felt quite distinctly - but only if given birth time is accurate. This is even more the case when a Planet enters the 1st, 4th, 7th or 10th House. This is because these are the Angles of your birth chart, which represent the most significant areas of life experience.

Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto Transits - These are the more important transits as they last a long time and usually pack more of a planetary punch.

Cycles and Seasons - Because of their cyclical nature, all the Planets will eventually come around to a House that it has been through before - although never in the case of Pluto and Neptune as they take longer than a lifetime to orbit the Sun; and with Uranus this may not happen at all either as it takes 84 years to complete a cycle. When a repeat visit to a House does occur, it'll be the same interpretation of meaning, but you will probably experience or understand it in a different way to the time before. Depending on the Planet in question how long before can vary from 29.5 years for Saturn, to one month for the Moon.

Retrograde Planets - All the Planets, but not the Sun and Moon, will at times appear to slow down, then go stationary, then go backwards, then slow down and go stationary again, and finally go forwards again. In fact this is why they were called 'planets' for the word means 'wanderer'. This going back (or retrograde) and forward (or direct) is caused by the Earth's orbit around the Sun in relationship to the other Planets' orbits -

rather like two trains pulling out of a station at different speeds making the slower train appear to go backwards from the point of view of the faster train. The effect this has on a Planet's transit through the Houses is one of its spending a lot longer or shorter time in a House than it would otherwise - particularly with respect to the faster moving Planets, namely Mars, Venus and Mercury. You will also see that occasionally this retrograde motion means that a Planet will go back into a House it was transiting just a short time before, almost as if it is trying to remind you of a point concerning that House!

Multiple Transits - If you ever have two or more Planets transiting one House at the same time - or especially entering it simultaneously - then this is strongly emphasizing that area of your life, and you are encouraged to take advantage of this emphasis.

Conflicting or Harmonious Transits - Occasionally you may notice that one Planet is compromising or helping another as they transit different Houses. For example, having Jupiter transiting your Tenth House would indicate professional advancement. But if Saturn was going through the opposite Fourth House it could mean that home and personal affairs had to be put in order before progress was made career wise. However, if Saturn was instead going through your Sixth House of work and co-workers, then Saturn could be seen to assist professional accomplishment.

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